**Author of the Week: Girish Raghunath Karnad**

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Girish Raghunath Karnad (19 May 1938 – 10 June 2019) was an Indian actor, film director, Kannada writer, playwright and a Rhodes Scholar, who predominantly worked in South Indian cinema and Bollywood. His rise as a playwright in the 1960s, marked the coming of age of modern Indian playwriting in Kannada, just as Badal Sarkar did in Bengali, Vijay Tendulkar in Marathi, and Mohan Rakesh in Hindi. He was a recipient of the 1998 Jnanpith Award, the highest literary honour conferred in India.

Awards and honours

**For Literature**

* Sangeet Natak Akademi award and Varthur navya Award – 1972
* Padma Shri – 1974
* Padma Bhushan – 1992
* Kannada Sahitya Parishat Award – 1992
* Sahitya Academy award – 1994
* Gyanapith Award – 1998
* Kalidas Samman – 1998
* Rajyotsava Award

### For Cinema

* 1971: Best Direction: Vamsha Vriksha (with B. V. Karanth)
* 1971: Best Feature Film in Kannada: Vamsha Vriksha
* 1973: Second Best Feature Film: Kaadu
* 1977: Best Feature Film in Kannada: Tabbaliyu Neenade Magane
* 1978: Best Screenplay: Bhumika (with Shyam Benegal and Satyadev Dubey)
* 1978: Best Feature Film in Kannada: Ondanondu Kaladalli
* 1989: Best Non-Feature Film: Kanaka Purandara
* 1990: Best Non-feature Film on Social Issues: The Lamp in the Niche
* 1992: Best Film on Environment Conservation: Cheluvi
* 1999: Best Feature Film in Kannada: Kaanuru Heggadathi

**Important Links:**

* [**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Girish\_Karnad**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Girish_Karnad)

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